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FM AMEMBASSY BEIRUT

TO AMEMBASSY SANAA IMMEDIATE

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AMEMBASSY CAIRO

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AMEMBASSY PARIS

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TAGS: PINS, LE, YE

SUBJECT: ASSASSINATION ATTEMPT ON YARG ROVING AMBASSADOR
IN BEIRUT

1. YEMENI ROVING AMBASSADOR AHMED SHAMI, IDENTIFIED AS FORMER YARG AMBASSADOR TO PARIS, WAS VICTIM OF ARMED ATTACK BY UNKNOWN ELEMENTS HERE THIS MORNING (APPROX. 0930 LOCAL) WHILE EN ROUTE FROM HIS RESIDENCE TO YARG EMBASSY. SHAMI SUFFERED SEVERE HEAD WOUNDS AND REPORTEDLY IS NOW IN QTE VERY CRITICAL UNQTE CONDITION AT AUB HOSPITAL. LEBANESE SECURITY AUTHORITIES THUS FAR HAVE BEEN UNABLE TO IDENTIFY SHAMI'S ASSAILANTS OR THROW LIGHT ON THEIR MOTIVES, BUT THEY HAVE LEAD ON CAR USED BY GUNMEN AND ARE ENGAGED IN TRACKING IT DOWN. WE TEND TO BELIEVE THAT SHOOTING IS MORE LIKELY CONNECTED WITH YEMENI INTERNAL POLITICS RATHER THAN WITH THE PHALANGE-PALESTINIAN FIGHTING OF LAST WEEK. IT WAS LESS THAN A YEAR AGO (JUNE 28, 1974) THAT EX-YEMENI

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FOREIGN MINISTER NEIMAN WAS ASSASSINATED IN BEIRUT.

2. WILL REPORT MORE DETAILS AS WE OBTAIN THEM.
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